

## Fire Destroys Packing Plant

SCHWEITZER & CO. SUFFER \$30,000 LOSS. OPERATION SCHEDULE RETARDED.

### BLAZE STARTED IN SMOKE HOUSE

Fire, shortly after 1:00 p. m. Monday, destroyed the meat packing plant of Schweitzer & Co., on Railroad street. The blaze was first discovered in the walls of the smoke house and its spread was so rapid that firemen were unable to check it. The plant was entirely destroyed and a very small portion of the contents saved. The loss is estimated at about \$30,000, with insurance covering \$13,800.

According to reports, Russell Winterlee had started a fire in the smoke room, and, as is usually done, the door of the room was left slightly open in order to afford a draft at the start. Winterlee was called to another part of the plant and when he returned the walls surrounding the smoke room were on fire.

The fire quickly spread to the main building and the telephone operator, whose duty was to sound the alarm, found the fire in the main building and it could not be subdued. However, firemen were called as quickly as possible. By the time they arrived the fire had a big start and there was no chance to save the structure. It burned very rapidly and soon the entire plant was in ruins.

The refrigerator and storage places were well filled with stocks of meats of just about every kind. One end of the refrigerator plant was burned and may possibly be rebuilt. Most of the meats were damaged and made unfit for use. One of the two compressors was damaged by falling debris, the other may be saved. These with the refrigerator cost the company \$14,000. Much valuable machinery and equipment were destroyed and will probably have to be replaced. This was one of the most modern and up-to-date and best arranged packing plants anywhere in Michigan. It was built early this year.

A part of the plant was located on the same street just north of the hotel annex. For the present the firm will carry on its operations from that place, confining its activities to wholesale distribution until such time as the destroyed plant may be rebuilt and equipped. The company had given work to as many as 30 employees. At the present time it employs about nine. The company has enjoyed a large

patronage, serving dealers in all parts of upper Michigan. The packing plant too was a big help to the local livestock producers who found here a ready market for their products.

Mr. Schweitzer was out of the city at the time of the fire, going over one of the northern routes of dealers and did not know of the fire loss until that night when he and the truck driver drove into the plant yard. Fire among the debris broke out again that night, calling out the department, but was easily quenched.

## Another Community Xmas For Children

CRAWFORD AND ROSCOMMON CHILDREN TO BE FEED

The two Georges are at it again—got their heads together and have ordered old St. Nick to be on hand on the day before Christmas, to be exact, December 24. The kiddies of Crawford and Roscommon counties are all invited to be in Grayling on that afternoon. First the children from Roscommon county will be guests at a movie at the Rialto beginning at 1:30 o'clock and later receive a treat of candies and nuts. You know those great big sacks like they always get. Later in the afternoon the kiddies of Crawford county will attend the show and likewise receive a treat.

Laurel and Hardy are favorites with young and old alike and you'll see them that day in "Our Relations."

Don't forget every child in Crawford and Roscommon counties is invited.

### EXAMINATIONS FOR WARDENS AND TOWERMEN

The Department of Conservation will hold an examination to fill vacancies in the positions of Fire Wardens and Towermen for district No. 11. The examination will be held at the High School gymnasium, on Thursday, Dec. 17th, 1936, at 9 a. m., at Roscommon. Vacancies are two Fire Wardens and two Towermen.

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## To Discuss Predatory Animals

SPORTSMEN, SUPERVISORS AND FARMERS URGED TO ATTEND

To Be Held At Temple Theatre, Dec. 16

Aroused by the depredations of marauding coyotes and other predators, farmers, livestock and poultry owners and sportsmen will assemble in a mass meeting here Dec. 16 to discuss what can be done about it.

The meeting, in which the department of conservation will participate, will be in the nature of a general discussion of the predatory animal situation in the northern part of the lower peninsula with special emphasis on the coyote.

Arrangements are being made by the Grayling chapter, Izaak Walton League, and Miles M. Callaghan, state senator-elect of Reed City. Sportsmen's organizations, boards of supervisors, livestock and poultry owners and farmers of the region are being invited to send representatives.

The coyote is a comparative newcomer to Michigan, having migrated into the upper peninsula from Wisconsin and Minnesota and thence into the lower peninsula within the past two decades.

### EXPRESSES GRATITUDE FOR PUBLIC'S RESPONSE

Mrs. J. L. Martin, Roll Call chairman, Crawford County Red Cross chapter, today expressed gratitude for the public's response during the enrollment period.

"The generosity of the local citizenship again has been demonstrated," the Roll Call chairman said. "The outcome of such an appeal cannot be measured wholly upon a dollars and cents basis. Service rendered in the Roll Call by volunteer workers, the manner in which these solicitors were received on all sides and the faith in the Red Cross evidenced throughout the chapter territory are all as gratifying."

"The Red Cross is only as strong as its membership. It is able to serve humanity only in the degree to which it is supported."

"In behalf of the local chapter, I take this means of expressing profound appreciation and thanks to all citizens of Crawford county who gave so generously of their time or funds, or both, during the annual Roll Call, and especially the members of the American Legion Auxiliary who conducted the drive."

## Grayling Wins From Harbor Springs

Friday night, the victory-starved, budding Green and White of Grayling again waged a through-harbor Spring's tight defense to annex their first victory of the season by a 31-21 score. All-in-all it was a bad night for the men of Harbor as the local seconds decisively walloped the visiting bees to the tune of 20-2 in the 1:30 preliminary.

Harbor Springs, determined to increase Grayling's losing streak to four straight, failed three points in quick succession to take an early lead. Ed Chalker, high point man of the evening, with sixteen counters to his credit, started the Northern Lights off on their victory march by ringing up a foul shot, which was followed by a two-point, under-the-basket tally by Dunham. Ed, obviously believing the best time to win a ball game is at the beginning, dropped a neat long shot from the 10 second line. In response to this insult to their pride the Orange and Black scored a two pointer on top of one of their numerous foul shots. Following a side-pop counter by Bowen, Harbor tallied from the foul line only to be set back as Bowen scored again to give the Green and White a two-point lead at the finish of the first period.

Going into the second quarter the two teams played neck and neck, the lead shifting from one side to the other at varied intervals. The up-state squad started the ball rolling by swishing the net with two foul shots. Moshier's two point aid to the Grayling cause was met by a Green and White foul shot. Harbor charity points. Intent upon increasing the local's lead, Chalker scored from the side and Coutts accounted for two markers on the foul stripe to give Coach Cornell's men the advantage of a five-point lead with which to begin the second half.

With a five-point lead to overcome Harbor Springs entered the stanza with a "fight to the end" attitude and fight they did. Having no time to waste they hit the net for counters both before and after Moshier's foul shot. Moshier, playing heads-up ball, tallied from the side to put the homesters again in the top position. At this point in the game Grayling unleashed a scoring avalanche that tied up the ball game. The Green and White seemed just to aim their sights at the basket and Chalker would pull the trigger to add points to the homesters' score. In the closing minutes of the third quarter and in the final period the Snow Show boys outscored their opponent two to one and marched on to their hard-earned 31-21 win.

With five minutes to go Grayling, as has been the case in all three games so far, enjoyed a comfortable lead, but instead of breaking down as in previous games they appeared stronger than ever and increased their lead instead of letting it slip from them.

In this contest the boys showed vast improvement over their former performances and from now on, with a little confidence in their ability to win ball games, they should "go places and bring home the bacon instead of the towel."

### MRS. FELDHAUSER CELEBRATES 80TH BIRTHDAY

Thursday evening a few neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. Edwina Chalker to remind six of their crowd it was time to light another candle on their birthday cake.

Those who were reminded that another year had rolled around again were Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser, Mrs. Florence Wakeley, Mrs. Hattie Moshier, Mrs. Paul Lovely, Mrs. Albert Knibbs, and Mrs. Floyd Taylor.

The evening was spent in playing games and was immensely enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Paul Lovely, Mrs. Russell Moshier, Mrs. Vallad, Mrs. Chalker, Mrs. Carlton Wythe. The lunch table was beautiful with tall lighted tapers casting a festive glow on a lovely pink and white birthday cake.

"Grandma Feldhauser" whom most everyone knows as the "Grand Old Lady" finds herself 80 years young and has the best wishes of her hosts of friends who hope to help her celebrate many more birthdays.

### "MAN AND HIS NEIGHBOR"

The members of Grayling Kiwanis club were privileged to hear an address entitled "Man and His Neighbor" by Mr. Clyde Ketcham, at their usual Wednesday noon meeting. He clearly convinced his listeners that for one to assert his rights in all things is not altogether best for his own good and for the good of his neighbors and others of his community. His talk was brimming with thought-provoking suggestions, and was given in a masterful manner. Mr. Ketcham is an attorney, coming here recently to check up on legal matters pertaining to the local federal resettlement administration.

Next week's meeting of the club will be devoted to entertaining members of the State Conservation commission, including Director P. J. Hoffmaster, Senator Miles Callaghan, and other prominent officials.

## Do We Want Socialized Medicine?

(The following is an address given by Dr. C. R. Keyport before the Kiwanis Club of Grayling Wednesday, December 2nd).

### STATE MEDICINE

State medicine is a system of complete medical service to all citizens at public expense.

### Who Wants State Medicine?

1. Not the public in general. They want evolutionary progress in everything. Not revolutionary upheaval.

2. No dissatisfaction with present system.

American Preventive Medicine best in world.

In Michigan death rate has been reduced. A few figures:

	1900	1934
Diphtheria	21.85	.75
Typhoid fever	34.03	1.28
Tuberculosis (all forms)	102.84	43.18
Smallpox	102.84	43.18

(for 2 yrs.) .0

Measles 14.1 | 7.6 |

Scarlet fever 96.53 | 7.6 |

3. Preventive medicine is part of the work of the private physician. In European countries under a plan of socialized medicine, physicians have no time for preventive medicine and statistics prove this.

4. Public knows we have no serious epidemics.

1901 life expectancy 47.24 years today life expectancy 61.20 years

5. Public wonders if State is so interested in medical care.

Why does it not try to eliminate Charlatans and Quacks which cost public each year \$125,000,000.

Why does State not control patent medicines and save the people \$350,000,000 each year.

6. Public notices that whenever public funds are offered to assist people request soon changes to demand. Doles lead to moral deterioration, never satisfied. When people earn and pay their own way they are satisfied.

### Not The Patient

1. Does not want to be dependent on bureaucracy for medical care.

2. Does not want inferior medical service.

3. Patient knows free choice of physician will be restricted. Medical attention will become a mechanical system rather than a personal service. Mass production.

4. Patient will lose confidential patient-family physician relationship.

5. Very sick patient will not receive, because of demands for minor services, quantity and quality. Cut down to reduce costs.

6. Patient does not want any meddling third party to come between him and his physician. Example: Workmans Compensation cases.

7. Patient does not want to suffer delay in treatment due to numerous bureaus and agencies to which he must apply.

### Not The Farmer

1. Farmer has small annual income out of which he would have to pay taxes to maintain a compulsory medical system and receive little benefit.

2. Farmer cannot see why State should provide medical care for wealthy or reasonably independent, or why pay for self inflicted diseases occasioned by alcoholism and immorality.

3. Objects to carrying greater tax load so that dependent people in cities, such as indigents, may secure more privileges.

4. Conscientious and careful about his budget feels that medical service deserves to be placed in his budget.

He is agnost at figures of average family for luxuries:

Passenger auto	\$150.00
Tobacco	67.00
Gasoline	37.00
Candy	37.00
Movies and Entertainment	35.00
Soda water, Ice cream, and gum	34.00
Jewelry and Furs	29.00
Liquor	22.00
Radios and Musical Instruments	16.00
Cosmetics	15.00

5. Average farmers' family, 4.1 people, annual expenditure (medical) \$62.00.

Tobacco bill more than doctor bill. Twice as much for candy as for hospital. Twice as much for cosmetics as for nursing.

### Not The Employed Person

1. American Federation has studied various forms of socialized medicine and failed to endorse them.

2. Employed person does not want it because it means less wages and more taxes.

3. Employed realizes that adequate living wage provides normal healthful living and competent medical care—sufficient needs for living.

Employed person prefers to purchase medical care as well as other necessities when and from whom he wishes in the true American way. His experience makes him suspicious. With Samuel Gompers, he says: "Put

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Your  
Christmas  
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## Regular Meeting I. W. L. Dec. 16th

The first regular meeting of the Crawford County Izaak Walton League chapter, will be held at 8 p. m., Dec. 16, 1936 in the court chambers of the county building. Inasmuch as this will be the first regular meeting, many important matters pertaining to the future activities of the local chapter will come before the meeting. Already various suggestions have been advanced in reference to changes in the deer law with the hope of eliminating the shooting of so many does and the commercializing of deer. R. A. Wright, president-elect for the coming year, has appointed the following as chairmen of the various committees:

Conservation—Jack Redhead.

Membership—Frank Bennett.

Entertainment—Harold McNeven.

Educational & Public Relations—Russell Robertson.

Each chairman in turn will select his various committees who will be announced at the December 16th meeting.

At this same meeting final plans will be made in conjunction with the proposed New Years Eve ball at the high school. Watch for further announcement regarding the New Years Eve ball.

Membership in the Crawford County Chapter of Izaak Walton League has now reached a total of 85 members and new members are being signed up daily. Those who haven't joined yet should make it their business to do so, as the local chapter deserves the support of all Crawford County citizens. We have the Izaak Walton League to thank for the support we are now to receive from the State at our Winter Sports Park, and we shouldn't overlook the fact that this county will no doubt want other favors in the future which will be easier to secure if we have a real live

Izaak Walton League chapter in this county. Attend all meetings and get behind this new organization.

### O. E. S. HOLDS INSTALLATION

At a beautiful and impressive ceremony last week Wednesday, the newly elected officers of Grayling Chapter No. 83, O. E. S. were installed by Mrs. Nellie McNeven, installing officer. Mrs. McNeven was assisted by Mrs. Alice Neilson, organist; Mrs. Laura McLeod, marshal; Mrs. Clara Sales, chaplain; and Mrs. Maude Neilson, warner.

Following are the offices and by whom they will be filled for the ensuing year:

Associate Matron—Mrs. Daisy Barnett.

Associate Patron—Philip Moran.

Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Morrison.

Conductress—Mrs. Bernice Smith.

Associate Conductress—Mrs. Elsie Larson.

Chaplain—Mrs. Maude Cooley.

Marshal—Mrs. Viola Taylor.

Organist—Mrs. Doris Souder.

Adm.—Miss Lillian Ahman.

Ruth—Mrs. Mae Erkes.

Entertain.—Mrs. Mary Herrick.

Martha—Mrs. Laura Parker.


Electa—Mrs. Isa Russell.

Warner—Mrs. G. Schaible.

Sentinel—Elizabeth Moran.

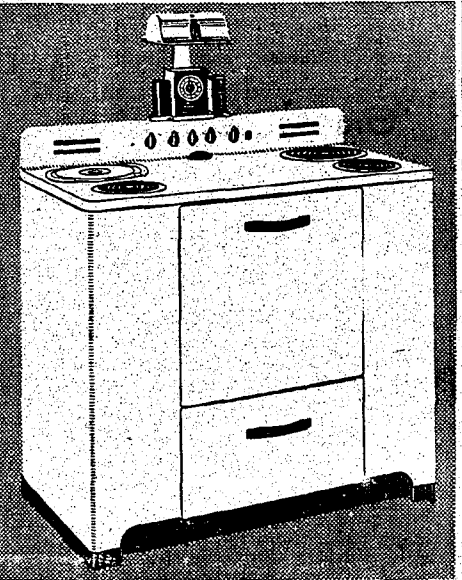
The new officers were presented with flowers by the Chapter and the following ladies, who assisted in the ceremonies received beauteous chrysanthemums: Mesdames Isa Russell, Nadine Heath, Bernice Smith and Misses Dorothy Roberts, Beverly Schaible, Jean and Virginia Peterson and Elda Parker. Mrs. Mae Erkes the retiring matron was given a gift of flowers as was also the installing officer and her staff. To close the evening a delicious lunch was served to some 50 members and guests.

If you like movies, read, "Here's the Answer," a question and answer column conducted by Harold Heffernan now in charge of the Hollywood Bureau of The Detroit News. It appears daily and Sunday in the Motion Picture Section of The News.



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THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1936

**MRS. HENRY FELDHAUSER**

Our felicitations go out to Mrs. Henry Feldhauser who will, next Sunday, reach the advanced age of 80 years and is still vigorous and active. As mother of a fine large family of grown-up sons and daughters, she is held near and dear to them and also by a large circle of local citizens many of whom have known her for a half century.

Mrs. Feldhauser was born in Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1856. Her maiden name was Caroline Kern. March 13th, 1876 she was united in marriage to Henry Feldhauser, who passed away from this life about five years ago. This splendid couple came to Grayling in 1890 and located on a farm near the Sigsbee district, about 10 miles east of Grayling. Twelve children were born to them—eleven boys and one girl (Mrs. Albert Knibbs), eight of whom are still living and are still residents of Crawford county except William who resides in Ann Arbor.

Since the death of her husband Mrs. Feldhauser's home has been shared by her daughter and family. She is a charter member of Crawford County Grange, and a past president and has, through all these years, taken an active part in its activities, and is a substantial and splendid citizen of this community.

In advance we heartily congratulate her on the birthday that is just before her and wish her many more years of usefulness and pleasant years to come.

**PROMOTE WINTER SPORTS**

The State acts none too soon in becoming official sponsor of a winter sports movement in Michigan. In upper New England and New York, the encouragement of winter recreation centers is a settled policy which returns to public treasuries much more than they invest. In the Northwest there is a marked trend toward year-around activity at mountain resorts.

In Michigan, Grayling is to be the beneficiary of the State's first move in this direction. The Administrative Board has set aside \$7,500 for the erection of a community building in the sports park. This park is a creation of local civic spirits, who are passing control over to the State's department of conservation.

Obviously a community in the resort business is better off with two seasons of three months apiece than it is with one. Often the same facilities serve for both as at Grayling where lakes are part of her natural endowment. Such a community, only an overnight ride away for millions, should be a winter Mecca for

lovers of the out-of-doors. Last year 75,000 visitors made the pilgrimage. How many more it might attract depends largely on the activity of its sponsors, for Nature has blessed it with everything to be found in winter centers whose names are household words.—Detroit News.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION RALLY HERE**

The fall rally of the Four-County Council of Churches and Christian Education will be held at the Michelson Memorial Church on Monday of next week, December 14th. The business session will begin at one o'clock, followed by addresses and discussions of Worship, Teaching in the Church School, and Out-of-Class Activities. Miss Lone Catton of Lansing, State Superintendent of the Michigan Council, will conduct the worship service and will give an address in the evening. Miss Catton is a specialist in child religious education. The Rev. Mr. C. W. Gilroy of Rose City will be chairman of the discussion on Teaching and the Rev. Mr. Frank Mitchell of Comins will lead the discussion on Week-Day Activities.

A pot-luck supper will be held during the fellowship hour at six o'clock.

At seven o'clock in the evening the Rev. Mr. Wesley Dudgeon of West Branch will give an address. Mr. Edward Webb of Grayling will sing. Mrs. Clippert will play the evening service and the church choir will sing.

The Four-County Council comprises all Protestant churches in Ogemaw, Osoda, Roscommon and Crawford counties. It is known as the Inland Empire and is a branch of the Michigan Council of Churches and Christian Education. Edgar Flory is president of the Four-County organization.

Every one in the community is invited to the evening sessions. Church school officers and teachers and all particularly interested in the educational work of the church are urged to attend both the afternoon and evening sessions, including the pot-luck supper.

**LYRIC DANCE HALL DID NOT BURN**

For a malicious reason or by careless talk a story was started that the Lyric dance hall at Higgins lake had been destroyed by fire, and the report was accordingly printed in our edition of last week. The report is unfounded and Mr. Frazer, the proprietor is offering \$50.00 for information as to who started the false report.

The Lyric is one of the attractive dance halls in these parts and enjoys a fine patronage at its regular Saturday night parties. The report hurt his patronage last Saturday but by this time most everyone has learned that the report was unfounded.

**FIRE DESTROYS GARAGE AND AUTO**

Sunday night at about 8:00 o'clock when the blizzard that visited this section that day and night was at its height, the garage on the property of T. J. Wells and its contents, including the Wells family car, was destroyed by fire.

It is thought by Mr. Wells that the fire started from a short circuit in the automobile. The fire had gained such headway with the gale that was blowing that it was in flames before it was discovered by neighbors.

The building was partly covered by insurance and the car was insured.

**Personals**

George Burke has been in Detroit for the past few days on business.

Mrs. Minnie Lester, of Indian River was a guest, Tuesday, of Mrs. B. A. Cooley.

James Lynch, of Mt. Pleasant, was a guest over the week end of Mrs. Minnie Isenbauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cliff, of Clare, are spending the week with Mrs. Marius Hanson.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bearsch, of East Tawas, were here for the week end and visited friends.

Albert VanDevere returned Friday to Detroit, after visiting friends here.

Ted Callahan will leave the latter part of the week for Detroit, where he plans to search for employment.

Roy Lovely, of Detroit, is here to spend a two weeks vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lovely.

Mrs. Horace Shaw is spending a few days in Bay City. Tuesday she attended the funeral of a relative in Detroit.

Joseph Kessler and Alfred Sorenson left the first of the week for Lansing, to take an embalmer's examination.

Sam Stevenson and family spent Sunday at Alpena, visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Stevenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank VanSycle, and children of Fife Lake, spent the week end visiting at the Arthur Worden home.

William Hill, who has been at Big Bay for some time for the Kerry & Hanson Co. interests, has returned to Grayling.

Mrs. Henry Libcke and son, Frederick, of Gaylord, are spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Dunham.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Craig, of Detroit, were here to spend the week end with Mrs. Craig's mother, Mrs. Joseph Morency.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Warner (Helen Miliken), of Vanderbilt, are in Florida where they plan to spend the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schoolcraft, of Tower, Mich., visited Thursday at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Delbert Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Muri Stevenson, of Alpena, spent a few days the first of the week visiting the former's brother, Sam Stevenson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Doremire, of Midland, spent the week end visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Doremire, at Camp Wa-Wa-Sum.

Ervin Sampsel has secured employment with the Ford Motor Co., at Detroit. Mrs. Sampsel who accompanied him there returned home Tuesday.

Miss Irene Randolph is spending this week with Mrs. John Erkes at the lake during the absence of Mr. Erkes who is in Bay City on business.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bugby returned Tuesday to their home in Pinconning, after spending a week with the former's brother, James Bugby, and other relatives.

The Misses Ella and Margrethe Hanson of Lansing accompanied their mother, Mrs. Oscar Hanson and Mrs. H. A. Bauman home Friday and spent the week end here.

Carl Johnson, who has been on the road in the interest of the AuSable Souvenir Works, of Frederic, is home for the winter and reports a most successful year.

Mrs. Frank Barnett spent Sunday visiting her father, James Hirst, who is ill at his home at Cheaning, and her sister, Mrs. Eugene Barnett, at Saginaw, who is also ill. Mr. Hirst is slightly improved.

At the business meeting of the Auxiliary Tuesday evening Mrs. Leo Jorgenson, secretary, gave a report of the Auxiliary conference held in Bay City Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mae Malone is leaving next week to spend the winter in Florida. Mrs. Malone enjoyed the winter months there last year so much that she is returning again for a sojourn.

Eight ladies, members of her bridge club, were guests of Mrs. K. Keyport at a very attractive luncheon Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Roy Munes received the honors for contract that followed the luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Worden and Mr. and Mrs. Rolfie Failing drove to Fife Lake, Tuesday evening, and accompanied Mrs. Worden's niece, Miss Beulah Vansycle, here. She will visit them for some time.

Mrs. Clayton Strachly returned Monday, from Mt. Pleasant, where she visited for the past week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Thurston, who has been very ill, but is feeling quite a little improved.

Mrs. James Bugby, accompanied by Mrs. Matt Bidvia and by Mrs. George Bugby, of Pinconning, drove to Bay City, Monday, and accompanied home her mother, Mrs. Jerry Sherman, who had been visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bess and son Richard, and the former's brother, Henry Bess, returned Sunday to their home in Grand Rapids after visiting Mrs. Bess' father, William Johnson, and other relatives at Frederic and here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mano R. Lee, who have resided in Grayling for about a year, operating a rooming house, are returning to Toledo next week. Mr. and Mrs. Lee made a number of warm friendships among Grayling people, during their short residence.

Mrs. Adolph Peterson, Mrs. Leo Jorgenson, president and secretary of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Sam Rasmussen and Mrs. Alfred Hanson attended a conference of Auxiliaries held in Bay City Saturday and Sunday. It was very enjoyable with luncheons, banquets and a ball. As a courtesy from the Chevrolet Motor Co., favors of compacts were presented each of the ladies in attendance.

**Hanson Restaurant Changing Hands**

One of Grayling's popular eating places, and known for years as the Hanson Restaurant changed hands today, when Frank Bennett bought out the business from James Bugby. Mr. Bugby has found the restaurant work too confining for the good of his health, and is his reason for disposing of same.

The public needs no introduction to the new proprietor, who is maintaining the services of Fred Bishaw, who will be in charge of the restaurant. Bishaw, has followed the business of chef for years, and has worked in the Hanson Restaurant for a long time and knows the business from A. to Z.

The Avalanche wishes the new proprietor much success.

**Womans Club**

The Woman's Club met Monday, December 7th, at the home of Mrs. Alice Bond. Interesting talks were given on "Famous Women" by the following:

Miss Bauman—"Of the Movements."

Mrs. Poor—"Of the White House."

Mrs. Gothro—"Composers."

The next meeting is a social meeting and will be held on Tuesday, December 15th, in the basement of Michelson Memorial church. It will be the Christmas program and each member is entitled to bring a guest.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA TO BE PRESENTED NEXT SUNDAY**

A Christmas cantata, entitled "The Music of Christmas" will be presented next Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Ladies' Glee Club of the Woman's Club at the Michelson Memorial church.

The cantata will be sung by twenty-six voices. An orchestra of about ten pieces will assist in the program. The children's chorus of about fifty will sing an anthem and will march in the processional and recessional.

The production will be directed by Mrs. C. G. Clippert.

The public is invited. There will be no charge for admission, although a free-will offering will be received to meet the expense of music and other items.

Those who attended the Christmas Sunday cantata will look with eager anticipation to the program this year.

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS NOTICE**

A very important meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be held on Friday night at the Beaver Creek town hall at 7:30 o'clock sharp. Commander Neal Mathews looks for a large attendance and his committees for the evening will be announced.

At this meeting the new officers will be announced and the membership work and promise the Membership an interesting program of activity for the ensuing year.

Members are urged to bring all candidates for initiation and the meeting will be opened on time. The place of meeting has been chosen for the greatest convenience of both Roscommon and Grayling as well as the members who reside in the country surrounding.

**AUTO DEALERS RECEIVE BIG ORDERS**

All of the local auto dealers are reporting big sales, the largest in the history of some.

George Burke reports the recent sale of 24 cars, the largest order coming from the Bay City Car Co., to whom they delivered 17 cars. Other deliveries include new Fords to Albert Lewis, Big Bay; J. D. Foster, Kalkaska; Foryst Barber, Grayling; Carl Chappel, Battle Creek; Alva Knorr, Detroit; Howard Rea, Bay City; Lt. LeRoy Richards, Pontiac.

The American Legion Auxiliary are having a big blow-out at Spikes' next Monday night.

Grayling was visited by a heavy snowstorm Saturday night and Sunday afternoon a real blizzard blew up and the temperature got to two above zero.

The heavy snow of the previous day was swept from the ground by a bitter wind and made traveling pretty uncomfortable. Wreckers were kept busy throughout the evening, hauling in cars, and a few cars are said to have been stalled on plains roads for a day or so the first of the week, owing to impassable roads. Much of the snow has disappeared during the past few days and day are experiencing a real thaw.

The lowest temperature has been so far this winter, was on Dec. 1st, when the thermometer at the Fish Hatchery registered 7 below.

**TAXES DUE**

Winter taxes are due and payable at City office.

Florence Butler, City Treas.

**Useful Christmas Gifts**

SHADE TWIST



Admiration

Socks

**Carriage Boots**

BALL BAND

A grand Gift

Genuine Velvet with heavy lining. Brown or Black

\$5.00

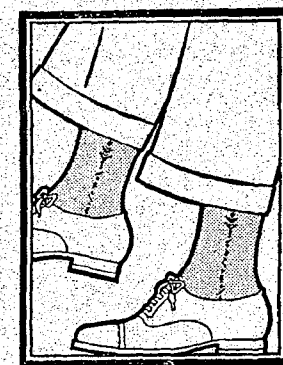
**Interwoven Socks**

Goe and Heel

Socks

We have just received a new stock of wool, silk and wool and all silk socks for Men.

Men appreciate nice Hose for Xmas

**Olson's Shoe Store**

At a meeting of the Democratic Men's club at the court house Friday night, A. J. Nelson was elected president of the club, succeeding A. L. Roberts who resigned. Impromptu talks were given by Clarence Johnson, chairman of the Democratic County committee, and Clyde Ketcham.

**Grange Notes**

New officers were installed Saturday night at the I.O.O.F. as follows:

Master—Hugo Schrieber. Overseer—Richard Babbitt. Lecturer—Mrs. John Knecht. Chaplain—Mrs. John Corwin. Treasurer—Wm. J. Woodburn. Secretary—Mrs. William Williams.

Steward—Elmer Osterander. Asst. Steward—Charles Corwin. Lady Asst. Steward—Mrs. Richard Babbitt.

Gatekeeper—Mrs. Rudolph Feldhauser. Ceres—Mrs. Hjalmar Mortenson. Pomona—Mrs. Ellen Felling. Flora—Mrs. Frank Sevan.

John Knecht was the installing officer and Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser was lady assistant steward for the installing. George Annis and son Forest furnished the music.

Following the ceremonies a surprise party was held, honoring the 80th birthday of Grand-

ma Feldhauser, and the large crowd made a lot of fun.

Thanks to all those who furnished for the Grange dinner Saturday, and to the public for their patronage.

The next Grange meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Florence Wakeley on Dec. 19.

**Want Ads**

**WANTED TO BUY**—Baby Crib. Leave word at Avalanche office, phone 111.

**LOST**—Monday, 2 large black hounds. Answer to names Nigger and Prince. Notify Avalanche office or Phone 159.

**FOR SALE**—Several Used Trailers suitable for logging. Priced from \$100 to \$300; also parts and new semi-trailers. Burch Body Works, Rockford, Mich. 12-3-8

**FOR RENT**—Furnished House. Mrs. Eva Reagan. 12-3

**LOST**—White and green gold Elgin wristwatch with chromium strap, Tuesday. Reward for its return to Avalanche office.

**Player Piano Bargain**

You may never again get a chance to buy a piano like this one for only \$39.10.

Cost new \$675. Bench and rolls go with it. Must sell before reshipping it. You can see piano in Grayling.

Write Arthur Kiefert, 850 North Plankinton Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. I will tell you where you can see piano. Terms.

**Brown Coal**  
Lignite or brown coal is more solid than peat, but less compact than ordinary coal.

**Even the Pilgrims Celebrated on Christmas Day**

The Pilgrims thought that joy and feasting on a holy day was sinful and frowned on any observance of Christmas, yet on the evening of December 25, 1620, it is recorded that the Puritans returned to their ship and had a feast. The historian was careful to record, that it was to celebrate the start of their new home.

**Christmas Goodies**

Let us fill your  
Stockings at  
Prices that are  
Right

**Here They Are**

GOLDEN RIPE BANANAS at only.....5c lb.  
Oranges! Oranges! Oranges! Oranges!  
34c doz. 32c doz. 29c doz. 24c doz.

JUMBO PEANUTS, lb. ....10c

FRESH MIXED NUTS—Walnuts, Nigge-  
Toes, Etc., lb. ....22c

TEXAS GRAPEFRUIT, pink, positively  
dandies. Each .....5c

Oh, Oh, Tangerines—Yes Sir, only 15c-18c doz.

HOLIDAY CIDER, pure, at .....40c gal.

LOTS OF SWEET JUICY APPLES—  
Snows, Spys, Etc., at 6 lbs. ....25c

LARGE "EMPEROR" GRAPES,  
3 lbs. only .....27c

MANY MORE ITEMS TO CHOOSE FROM

**Grayling Fruit & Produce**

Phone 16 Company We Deliver



## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 11, 1913

J. Foglesonger is the new apprentice at the Frank Gierke barber shop.

Miss Metha Hatch is a patient at Mercy Hospital, having had an attack of appendicitis.

The Messrs. Leon and Seth Charvel returned yesterday after a week's visit in West Branch. Seth went to purchase a horse.

Miss Katherine McPeak arrived from East Tawas on Thursday last. She has been trimming in a millinery shop in that city.

A new addition has been built to the American express office. Parcel post doesn't seem to effect their business any.

Paul J. Marienthal arrived from New York City on Saturday for a few days' visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Brenner.

Kenneth McLeod had his foot badly crushed, while at work on the section, Friday morning, when a steel rail dropped upon it.

News has come to relatives in this city of the death of Captain Daniel McFadden, who was found dead on his barge, Monie Duma, near Buffalo harbor, on November 23rd. His death is attributed to heart failure. At the time his wife was visiting her father, John O. Goudrow, of this city.

Miss Clara Lietz is here from Detroit visiting at the home of her brother, Roman Lietz.

Miss Augusta Kraus is assisting in the A. Kraus & Son dry goods store during the holidays.

Ed. Morrissey, who works at the roundhouse shops, has been absent a few days on account of illness.

The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Hollingsworth is very ill. John Harrison who works at the roundhouse shops, has purchased a 40 acre farm in Oscoda county.

John Benson has purchased the corner property back of the Russell Hotel, and will build a fine cement garage there. The old building that has stood so many years on this spot, has been moved farther back on the next lot.

Arrangements are in progress for the second annual Moose ball which will be held at the opera house on New Year's night.

Clyde King resumed work in Stanard's restaurant last evening after a week's visit with his cousins in Pinconning.

Mrs. John McClellan and little daughter, of Bay City are visiting her sisters, Mrs. Daniel Hoelsi and Miss Blanche Blondin and brother, Mose.

Master Edward Charron celebrated his eleventh birthday Wednesday, by entertaining a number of his friends at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Charron.

Ernest Richardson, of Roscommon, was in this city on business last Friday, also visiting his sister, Mrs. F. E. Gregory.

Frank Nellet, who has been ill, more or less during the past summer, is reported as improving and may resume his work in the roundhouse shops soon.

Severn Jensen who drives a de-

livery wagon for Sorenson Bros. furniture store, had quite a painful accident yesterday afternoon, when, as he was getting onto the wagon after making a delivery, the horse started up, throwing him to the ground, he striking on his head and cutting a deep gash near his temple.

H. C. Holbrook and family have sold their home in this city and are moving to Tekonsha, Michigan. This takes from Grayling one of its oldest families, the Holbrooks having moved here from Branch county in 1882.

The L. F. O. Sewing club, which was organized a short time ago, spent a most delightful evening at the home of Miss Marie Foreman last Thursday, when they were entertained with a "doll party." All were dressed as young folks and brought their dolls with them.

### School Notes.

(23 Years Ago)

Louis Joseph was absent Tuesday because of illness.

R. D. Bailey, of Gaylord, was a visitor at school last week. Edith Collins illustrated the story of "Jack and Jill" very cleverly by drawings.

Nina Petersen, Lucile Hanson and Frank Benedict were absent from the eighth grade because of illness.

The following pupils received "A" in spelling every day last week: Ruth Corwin, Ruth Harrington, Grace Stewart, Charles Moran John Phelps, and Myrtle Winslow.

Monday morning the eighth grade enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Marius Hanson. We of the eighth grade wish that more of the parents would visit us in the same pleasant way.

Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph, the members of the football team were entertained at a six o'clock dinner given by Miss Jacobs and Miss Yutzy.

### Maple Forest News

(23 Years Ago)

Miss Jennie Parsons is working in Grayling.

Miss Sylvia Bigham is working at Otsego Lake.

Will and Edwin Chalker, Jessie Smith and Thomas Hughes, returned last week from a fishing trip in the upper peninsula.

Oscar Charron has gone to work in the mill at Frederic.

Mrs. Woodburn's school is to have Christmas exercises.

Earl Marshall and family are living in Herbert Knibbs house.

Mrs. Parsons and family have moved into their new home.

Gill Vallad is home from Grayling for a few days because of sickness.

Mrs. J. A. Woodburn left for Detroit on Wednesday morning last to visit her daughter, Miss Bertha.

Bert Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw, returned home last week after about two years spent in the west.

Mr. J. K. Bates returned last Saturday from a two weeks' visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Hathaway, at Month, Mich.

## Do We Want Socialized Medicine?

(Continued from front page)

it in the pay envelope and we will buy our own welfare."

2. Employed person knows that socialized medicine means heavy contributions.

3. Employed recognizes any socialization of medicine scheme to be nothing but revolution insurance.

4. Employed person wants a job and means to keep it. Germany under health insurance system time lost by insured workers, rebled in 80 years, averaged: time loss increased from 3 days before compulsory insurance to 12 1/2 days after. In America: time loss 0.7 days. Stationary for 25 years.

Not the taxpayer

1. Taxpayer paid State \$82,000,000. Taxpayer paid County, City, Township \$18,000,000.

Complete system of free medicine for 4,700,000 people would add \$171,820,000 in taxes. State taxes would have to be more than tripled. Sales tax would increase from 3% to 9%.

2. Add to this cash payments for lost work days due to illness, including feigned illness, and sales tax becomes 18%.

3. Free service is abused by men who seek more than their just share.

Taxpayer would pay first rate prices for inferior quality service. In Germany, socialized need is known as second class service.

5. Taxpayer knows that politics would interfere, resulting in monetary and scientific waste. Ample illustration of waste seen in governmental activities.

6. Taxpayer knows economic depressions increase government spending in face of lessened income. Thus, socialized medicine would either mean increased taxation or lessened medical service during trying times.

7. Taxpayer knows that service at public expense is far from being free service. None can escape the tax collector.

Not The Physician

1. 100,000 physicians in U. S. do not want socialized medicine as it would furnish the people a medical service limited in scope and destroy public confidence.

2. Physician has sacred obligations to maintain the quality of medical care. Deficient quality abroad.

3. Physician does not want his patients to substitute suspicion for responsibility and resentment for friendship. This is bad when cash benefits are combined with service benefits.

People who are actually paid for being sick will have no desire to get well quickly and will resent attempts of a conscientious physician to certify them back to health.

4. Physician has made inroads against all forms of disease in public health.

Average death in Michigan:

1900 ----- 54.26  
1933 ----- 59.31

Does not want to lose his initiative, resourcefulness--incapable to improve himself.

Patient will suffer if these are supplanted by governmental red tape.

5. Physicians are progressive. Trying to solve the economic problem of past six years.

Profit Seekers

Now on the other hand, those who do want State or Socialized medicine.

1. Seeker after personal profits would benefit by this system.

Third party as insurance carriers, lodge on friendly society.

A small minority--group of physicians whose friendship with unscrupulous politicians would share the profits.

Professional philanthropy and social welfare have created a new profession. Increase social welfare.

Certain business firms which would stand to profit by large orders for building materials if government took over the work.

2. Seeker knows that complicated administration work and governmental red tape of a social program would require thousands of employees with high salaries positions picked off by those on the band wagon. He knows that total paid for administration in England is over half paid to physicians and total non-medical workers in Germany is greater than the total of physicians.

3. Seeker knows that the 35 million health insured people in Germany pay rates that have increased from 3% to 6.5% of their monthly earnings.

Paid Reformers

1. Would completely change picture because of a negligible percentage of people who find illness costs heavy in a given year.

2. Paid reformer has been told but forgets. Committee on the cost of medical care surveyed from month to month for one year the health needs of 39,000 people in this country.

47.9% needed medical care and received it.

47.1% needed no medical care. 5% left, sought probably cults, etc.

Should present system be changed for a negligible 5%?

3. As a panacea for poverty, sickness insurance is a poor excuse to attempt.

4. The salaried altruist may make high sounding promises whose fulfillment is too expensive for this or any other civilization to attempt.

Professional skill.

2. Knows that socialization of medicine would shunt millions of dollars into his hands to be administered by him and his aides.

3. Knows that political system will let out building contracts for large public hospitals, sanatoria, health clinics, etc.

4. Will insist on cash benefits in any socialized medicine legislation. Recipients of these checks will keep him in office. A great system for gaining influence votes.

5. Will make campaign promises to provide good medical care and after election will be indifferent to same. Borne out in U. S. by the F.E.R.A. In Michigan by the Crippled and Afflicted Childrens act and Afflicted Adult act.

6. Result:

a. Less skilled men in profession.

b. Mechanical system, no incentive.

c. Loss of independence and inability to provide needed care.

d. Overwork by physicians.

Philanthropists Paid Agents

1. Social workers distribute cash benefits (not their own money) according to their own standards and opinions of what is good for the recipient.

They seek to do same with services of physicians and resent any application that they are not equally competent to determine how and to whom and in what amount medical service shall be distributed.

2. So-called foundations have spent millions for surveys of medical care. Same amount of money would have taken care of these cases.

DR. C. R. KEYPORT.

MADONNA



This famous picture of the Madonna and Child commemorating the first Christmas was painted by Antonello da Messina, one of the great Italian artists of the early Renaissance.

Bees Aid Clover

When the Australians first planted clover it grew well in Australia's fertile soil from seed brought from England but produced no seed in the new country. They couldn't understand it until they imported bumblebees, pollen carriers from plant to plant. Nature's cycle was perfected and seed came.

Ugly Railroad Stations

NO MATTER which way you're going, it seems you must change trains in Chicago, and nearly always, change stations as well.

Chicago proudly boasts of more railroad stations and uglier ones and situated at more remote and inconvenient intervals from one another than any city anywhere. It's as though once upon a time she set out to collect the largest covey of truly homely stations in the world and then the bunch flushed and scattered on her.

Yet as far as I can find out--correct me if I err--there's no structural reason why through cars on most lines could not be switched directly to the connecting lines without being brought into the heart of the city. Maybe Chicago loves the distinction of being the largest junction point on earth.

Mac & Gidley, Druggists.

Two Buses Each Way Every Day

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Direct Greyhound connections in Detroit to all points in U.S., Canada and Mexico.

GREAT LAKES MOTORBUS

## What S. Cobb Thinks about

Twilight of Ex-Debutantes

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

—Should the king marry Mrs. Simpson or should it be vice versa and Mrs. Simpson marry the king, in either event the happy outcome is bound to prove blighting upon a large coterie of slightly weather-beaten ex-debutantes of the crop of 1925.

Anyhow, it was a great vintage year for debutantes, because that was when we had the most memorable of royal visits. And ever since there have been ever so many now somewhat matured buds who, season after season, have maintained front rank in society by being reminded, about once in so often, of the supreme hour when they danced with the then prince of Wales and speaking of him in a fondly sentimental tone as "Dear David."

But even such a precious reminiscence suddenly becomes mighty pale, mighty puny alongside a prospective achievement which may change the ancient slogan of majesty to "Honi soit qui Wally pense!"

Passing of the Train Butcher

THERE'S melancholy in the news that the railroad "train butcher" is vanishing. Soon, like so many fixtures of the passing generation, such as the dried-potato as cure for rheumatism and the drooping sidewhisker, he'll be an extinct species.

In my earliest recollections of travel he has a fond place, along with the lunch put up in a congress shoe box, the cinder in the eye and the smell which made every day coach remind you of a woodpecker's nest.

On almost the first car trip I ever made unaccompanied 'twas he who sold me a sealed volume entitled "The Jolly Old Drummer's Spicy Library," with a whispered warning not to break the wrapper before leaving the train for fear of arrest. I remember my guilty feeling, my youthful thrill of anticipation. I got my money's worth right there. I didn't get it, later, because there was nothing in that book you couldn't read at a meeting of the ladies' aid with impunity.

He was indeed an engaging scoundrel and engaging scoundrels grow increasingly scarce. There's nothing picturesque about an "investment counselor" doing business with the aid of a sucker list and a new issue of Bull Con. preferred.

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the matter of the estate of Frans H. Vaik, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that 4 months from the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1936, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE Milwaukee, Wisconsin

LAND EXCHANGE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the State of Michigan, through the Department of Conservation at Lansing, Michigan, has applied for an exchange of lands under the Act of March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1215).

The applicant offers to the Government certain lands located



## Buy Christmas Seals From School Pupils

Grayling residents who have not received tuberculosis Christmas seals through the mail—and who wish to have a part in the Thanksgiving Day-to-Christmas campaign to provide funds for Michigan's fight against tuberculosis in 1937—may secure a supply of the tiny messengers of health from any school child, Gerald Poor, superintendent of schools.

### FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS



### Buy and Use CHRISTMAS SEALS

The mail sale it carries on, Superintendent Poor explained, agreeing to take charge of the supplementary sale here. "It is impossible for the Association to secure the names of all who would like to contribute and each year many inquiries are made locally as to where Christmas seals may be obtained. It is so that all who wish to participate in the fight against the White Plague may do so that Christmas seals are being made available in Grayling through the school children.

"We are not planning, however, to have the school children canvass the community. That procedure would involve much annoyance to those who have already received seals. We shall be glad, though, to fill promptly all requests for seals. They may be had either by contacting the office of the Superintendent of Schools or by asking any school child for a supply.

"Superintendent Poor added that the children too would be given an opportunity to purchase Christmas seals for either their own or their parents' use.

"I am in complete sympathy

with this annual sale of Christmas seals to provide funds to fight tuberculosis," Mr. Poor declared. "And inasmuch as it is the children who benefit so greatly we are glad to have them take this small part in the project."

Funds raised through the sale of seals in the state will finance the entire program of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association in 1937. A voluntary organization, the Association has fought the White Plague in Michigan since 1908.

### CHRISTMAS TREE BEST IF SIMPLE

More simplicity and resultant beauty in festooning the Christmas tree is suggested by Winifred Gettemy in the home economics department at Michigan State College. The old fashioned "conglomeration" of many kinds of ornaments defeats itself in too many households in her opinion.

"Simple decorations with real greens instead of artificial ornaments are most desirable," says Miss Gettemy. "If there is a fireplace available, then make that the center of the holiday display instead of scattering the decorations over doors and windows."

"If a fireplace is not available, then use a Christmas tree or a group of windows for the center of attraction. Greens can be made of pine, spruce or ground pine barked on top of the mantle or made into festoons or wreaths. A wreath makes a good center of interest."

Miss Gettemy does not relegate this work to just one person in the family who might have the eye for beauty in decoration. She thinks it still is proper and the best stimulant to Christmas spirit to have the whole family including the children participate in the decorating.

When it comes to dressing up the tree, however, she again suggests simplicity. Four schemes are useful. One includes the use of ornaments of the same color but of different sizes. Another type of ornament would be all sizes in different colors. A third type of decoration can include tinsel strips with ball decorations, and the last suggestion is for the use of just tinsel strips and bulb lights for decoration.

## SCHOOL NEWS

Students of the school are selling tuberculosis Christmas seals this week. A new feature—two tuberculosis pins—are attracting a lot of attention and the price of five cents seems to be quite popular.

The annual two weeks' Christmas vacation will begin December 18.

During the past week the Hi-Y club has been making efforts to organize an intramural basketball league which is open to all eligible boys in the upper four grades. Quite a few hopefuls have reported.

On the Friday afternoon of the Harbor Springs game, a pep meeting was staged in the auditorium. This consisted of a one-act skit by several members of the high school, and four or five yells that were really loud and were full of pep.

The stage floor, having been the recipient of a sanding job and several coats of varnish, gives the stage a new and pleasant appearance.

The opening of the South Side school has made sixty-two youngsters happy already this year. We have had some snappy days and if you think it's thrilling to walk a mile in freezing weather, ask some of these little tots.

A Visual Method piano recital is coming. The date is December 16; the time is 4:00 and the place is the high school. If you are interested you are cordially invited to attend.

115 G. H. S. armbands have been purchased from the Hi-Y club. These bands are really flashy looking.

Don't forget that Gaylord will play here one week from next Friday. Mancelona was barely beaten by Gaylord last Friday night. The score was 12-10.

At some later date a Michigan Bakery representative will demonstrate methods of making different kinds of sandwiches at the school Home Economics room.

### HONOR ROLL

#### 12th Grade

Connine, Mary G.—3A's, 1B.  
Entsminger, Pauline—1A, 2B's.  
Hewitt, Monica—1A, 3B's.  
Montour, Mary—2A's, 1B, 1C.  
Peterson, Donald—1A's, 2B's.  
Skingley, Evelyn—1A, 2B's, 1C.

#### 11th Grade

Bowen, Keith—2A's, 2B's.  
Brady, Richard—4B's.  
Charron, Virginia—3A's, 1B.  
Peterson, Patricia—4A's.  
Peterson, John—2A's, 2B's.  
Peterson, John—1A, 3B's, 1C.

#### 10th Grade

Anthony, Clayton—4B's.  
Bradlow, Audrey—2A's, 2B's.  
Corwin, Donald—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
Hewitt, Phyllis—2A's, 1B, 1C.  
Mathews, John—2A's, 1B, 1C.  
Peterson, Kenneth—2A's, 1B, 1C.

#### 9th Grade

Tahvonon, Einer—2A's, 1B, 1C.  
Tahvonon, Emil—3A's, 1B.  
Babbitt, Arnold—2A's, 2B's.  
Brady, Jean—1A, 3B's.  
Burrows, Ruth—4B's.  
Gordon, Vada Ann—2A's, 2B's.  
Jones, Iris—4B's.  
Joseph, Mary Jane—3A's, 1B.  
Kraus, William—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
McNeven, Gloria—1A, 3B's.  
McNamara, Jr.—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
Miller, Dorothy—4A's.  
Nelson, Melvin—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
Peterson, Natalie—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
Peterson, Virginia—3A's, 1B.

#### 8th Grade

Charron, Kathryn—1A, 3B's.  
Falling, Betty J.—1A, 3B's.  
Martin, Jane Ann—1A, 2B's, 1C.

#### 7th Grade

Roberts, Patricia—4A's.  
Skingley, Robert—1A, 2B's, 1C.  
Broadbent, Elaine—4B's.  
Buggy, Eleanor—4B's.  
Christenson, Faye—2A's, 2B's.  
Doroh, June—2A's, 1B, 1C.  
Kernosky, Ruth—2A's, 1B, 1C.

#### 3rd-4th Grade Room

Ina Conboy, Teacher.  
A. A's and B's.  
Howard DeLaMater, Geraldine Goinck, Irene Tahvonon, Dick Dawson, Richard K. Nelson, Zella Fletcher.

#### B Average

Betty Lou Wilson, Evelyn Weiss, Teddy Bennett, Evelyn Krage.

#### First Grade News

We have been busy getting our room decorated for Christmas. We made wreaths for our windows and door and brought Christmas pictures for our Bulletin Board. We are learning winter poems now and are going to learn some Christmas poems soon.

Other things which we are planning to do are: Make decorations for our tree; make Christmas gifts for our mothers and fathers, and fix our sand table for Christmas.

Eleanor Edmunds has moved to Frederic; we were sorry to have her leave our room. Donald and Arthur Lovely are back in school after being ill for the past few weeks.

### FIRST BUYER OF CHRISTMAS SEALS

First in Grayling to buy 1936 tuberculosis Christmas seals was Mr. A. J. Joseph, the Michigan Tuberculosis Association announces. The thirtieth annual sale of the tiny messengers of health opened on Thanksgiving Day and will be continued through to Christmas. Sixty million of the Christmas seals were distributed in the state this year by the Association and its affiliated organizations, to provide funds to carry on the fight against the White Plague in 1937.

Thanking and complimenting Mr. Joseph on his early purchase, Dr. Bruce H. Douglas, president of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association this week urged that all others in the state who have received seals make their returns as soon as possible so that expense of follow-up letters might

be spared.

"Never was the need so great for an intensive anti-tuberculosis program in Michigan," Dr. Douglas declared. "Now, with a complete victory over the White Plague nearer than it has ever been, is the time to redouble our efforts. The 2,044 deaths from tuberculosis in Michigan last year are a challenge to every thinking individual, in the light of the utter needlessness of the disease."

Since 1931 the Michigan Tuberculosis Association has brought two of the modern weapons of medical science—the tuberculin test and the chest X-ray—to more than 100,000 Michigan people. Funds raised during the present sale of Christmas seals will help to carry on this work.

### Fred Green

Fred Green never could have been a pompous governor because the impish quality of his sense of humor would not permit him to take himself seriously. Toward the close of his term as Governor when arrangements had been made for the painting of his portrait to be hung with those of



FRED GREEN

other governors in the Capitol at Lansing, Green felt for an artist long enough to acquaint him with the Governor's features in a general way and the outline of his figure. Then he left and did not return until the portrait was finished. With a party of friends he stepped into the artist's studio to see it. It was the usual formal portrait of a governor, depicting him sitting in a statesmanlike attitude, clad in a frock coat. The Governor hooted. "Nobody can make a stunted shirt out of me," he said, and he insisted that the artist paint out the statesman's coat and dress him in something more appropriate. That is why, when you go to the Capitol today, you will find among all the solemn-looking portraits of former governors a painting of Fred Green, a grin on his face, a hunting suit on his body, woodsman's boots on his feet and a dog with his muzzle on his knee. It is a portrait of the real Fred Green, probably the only real picture in all that stern company.—Oscoda Press.

### MODERN



The new 1936 Santa Claus takes to the airplane as the modern successor to the famed reindeer.

### Natural Electric Currents

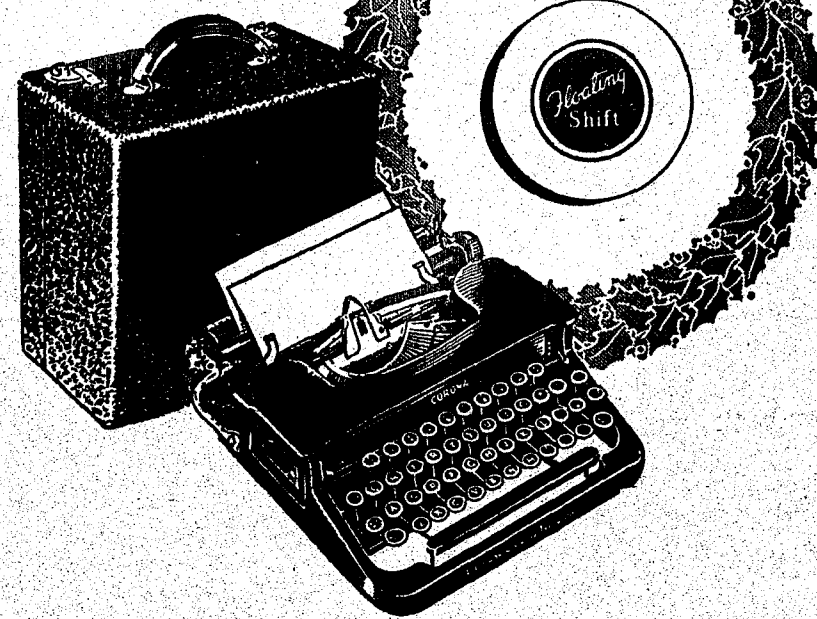
Natural electric currents, having no relation to the weather flow through the earth and often circulate in grounded electrical equipment to such extent that they set in motion and even damage receiving instruments. During one week many years ago, notes a writer in Collier's Weekly, these currents were so strong that they were able to carry telegraphic messages, without the aid of batteries or any other source of current, for more than 300 miles.

### Baboon Was Venerated

In primitive Egypt the baboon was venerated and his mummies have been found in the ancient tombs of the Nile valley. The Egyptians used to tame the animals and teach them to pick fruit according to legend.

Gunpowder in Use 6 Centuries  
Gunpowder first was employed to discharge a projectile early in the Fourteenth century. It was used in a device of a German monk.

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### The Economy Offer

GROUP-A	GROUP-B
Check 2 magazines thus (X)	Check 2 magazines thus (X)
<input type="checkbox"/> American Fruit Grower 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> American Poultry Journal 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Copper's Farmer 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> The Country Home 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Journal 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Needlecraft 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Gentlewoman Magazine 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Successful Farming 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Good Stories 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Woman's World 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Mechanics 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> The Country Home 2 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Leghorn World 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Journal 2 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Home Life 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Plymouth Rock Monthly 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Reader's Gazette 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Rhode Island Red Journal 1 Yr.

### The Super-Value Offer

GROUP-1	GROUP-2
Check 2 magazines thus (X)	Check 2 magazines thus (X)
<input type="checkbox"/> American Boy 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> American Poultry Journal 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Better Homes & Gardens 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> The Country Home 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald 6 Mo.	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Journal 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower 6 Mo.	<input type="checkbox"/> Gentlewoman Magazine 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> McCall's Magazine 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Good Stories 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Motion Picture Magazine 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Mechanics 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Parents' Magazine 6 Mo.	<input type="checkbox"/> Leghorn World 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys) 2 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Home Life 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Opportunity Magazine 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Plymouth Rock Monthly 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pictorial Review 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Rhode Island Red Journal 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder (Weekly) 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Successful Farming 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Romantic Stories 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Woman's World 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Screen Play 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Copper's Farmer 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Afield 1 Yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Breeder's Gazette 1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> True Confessions 1 Yr.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine 2 Yr.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Woman's World 2 Yr.	

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### PREDICT MANY NEW OIL FIELDS

Lansing, Dec. 9—Drilling for oil continues on an unprecedented scale in Michigan, indicating that operators still feel certain that there are rich pools of "black gold" as yet undiscovered.

The office of the state geologist here reports that 624 permits to drill were issued up to Dec. 1 at a cost of \$25 each, exceeding the

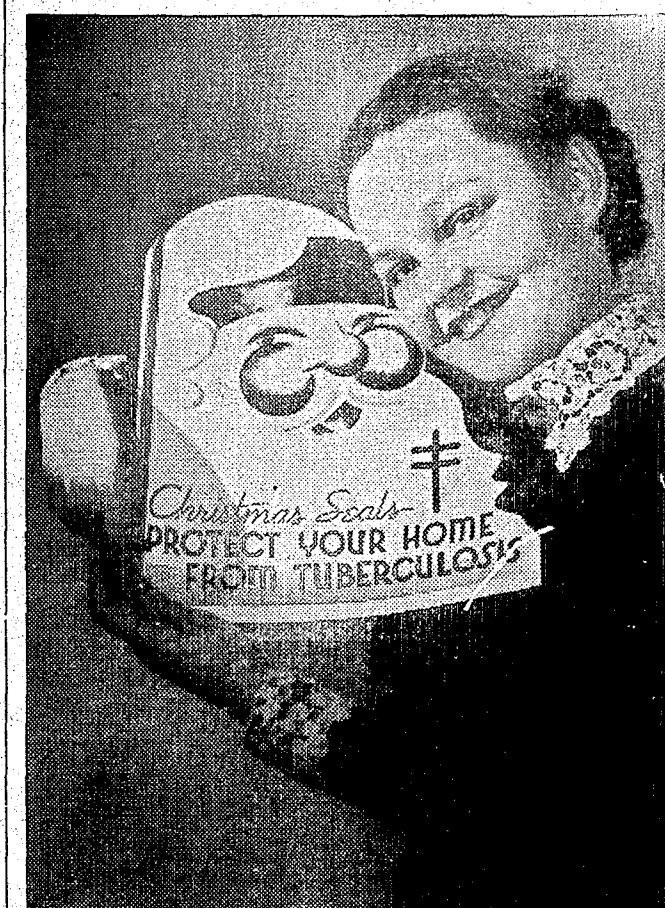
record high number of permits issued for the whole of 1935, which was 700.

### Man's Heart Skips Beats—Due To Gas

W. L. Adams was bloated so with gas that his heart often missed beats after eating. Adirika rid him of all gas, and now he eats anything and feels fine.

Mac & Gidley, Druggists.

## Santa's Aid Enlisted In Fight Against TB



AS MODERN as the pretty young miss who holds him close is the jolly likeness of Santa Claus that appears on the sixty million tuberculosis Christmas seals distributed in the state this year by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association and affiliated organization. Funds raised will be used to carry on the fight against the White Plague that has been waged incessantly by the Association since its organization in 1908.

By far the most gay and colorful of many seasons, the 1936 Christmas seal—designed in modernistic style—is especially appropriate since the educational campaign to fight tuberculosis urges the use of modern weapons.

In the past five years tuber-

culosis Christmas seal funds have provided over 100,000 Michigan people with two of the modern weapons against tuberculosis—the tuberculin test and the X-ray. The Association hopes to be able to carry on this life-saving work in 1937. The 2,044 deaths from tuberculosis in Michigan in 1935 were pointed out as emphasizing the need for continuing the present vigorous campaign against the disease.

So that the added expense of a follow-up letter may be spared, Theodore J. Werle, executive secretary of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, this week urged that all who have received Christmas seals through the mail make their returns as soon as possible.



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## LOCALS

THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1936

Watch the advertising in this paper for Christmas gift suggestions.

The brook and brown trout spawn in the fall; the rainbow trout and the Montana grayling in the late winter or early spring.

An operetta "Santa in Storyland" will be presented entirely by the children of the grade school in the school auditorium Thursday evening, Dec. 17. The children under the direction of Miss Bath assisted by the grade teachers, have been practicing on the operetta for some time. We hear it is well worth seeing. Prices of admission are very low at 10c for children and 20c for adults.

Men's 15-inch Hunting Rubbers. Special at \$2.98.—Grayling Mercantile Co.

Word has been received of the illness of Miss Dorothy Reid, granddaughter of Mrs. James Reynolds, at her home in Twinning.

St. Mary's Altar society will give another of their popular parties in the church hall, Sunday evening, Dec. 20th. The public is invited. 12-10-2

Wally Hutton has been discharged from Camp Higgins, Co. 672, and has accepted employment in Detroit. He left for Detroit early Tuesday morning.

Dr. Clyde J. Hathaway of Pontiac on his regular official visit here. "loudly proclaims that he is a 'Granddad' for a son, Lee Milton, was born on Dec. 1st to his son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Milton Hathaway, of Pontiac.

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MACARONI, bulk, 4 lbs.	25c
POWDERED SUGAR, bulk, 3 lbs.	25c
POPK & BEANS, (Armour's) tall can.	9c
COCOA (Blue Mill) 2 lb. can.	15c
2 Boxes LAFRANCE and 1 Box SATINA.	20c
PITTED DATES, bulk, 2 lbs.	25c
NOODLES (Assorted) 3 large packages.	25c
CORN (Golden Bantam or White) 2 cans.	25c
PEAS, medium size, fresh flavor, 2 cans.	25c
PANCAKE FLOUR (Famo) 5 lbs.	25c
PANCAKE FLOUR (Crescent) 5 lbs.	24c
PANCAKE FLOUR, (Pirate) 5 lbs.	23c
SYRUP, (Karo) brown, ½ gallon	35c
SYRUP (Karo) White, ½ gallon	37c
SARDINES IN OIL, can. 5c; 6 cans	25c
TOMATO JUICE (Armour's) tall can	10c
MAGIC WASHER, 1 lg. pkg. and 1 free.	23c
SALAD DRESSING, qt. jar	28c
AMERICAN FULL CREAM CHEESE, lb.	24c
DILL PICKLES, qt. jar	15c
SWEET or MIXED PICKLES, qt.	25c
TEA, (Japan) bulk lb.	23c
MINCE MEAT, bulk, lb.	19c
SPIC AND SPAN, pkg.	20c
LARD—Pure or Compound, lb.	15c
SOAP FLAKES (Balloon) 5 lb. pkg.	29c
CLEAN EASY SOAP, 10 bars	29c
SLICED BACON (Armour's) ½ lb. pkg.	19c
PORK SAUSAGE, (Armour's) bulk, lb.	16c
BLACK PEPPER, bulk, lb.	19c
COFFEE (Circle W.) a good cup, lb.	16c
COFFEE (Silver Moon) steel cut, lb. can.	26c
COFFEE, (Golden Moon) in qt. glass jar	
the best, it goes further	32c

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<p><b>Get Your Snow Suit NOW</b></p> <p>and be ready for the big doings this Winter</p> <p>Jackets, Breeches, Mitts, Sox and Caps</p>	<p><b>Mens Dress Shirts</b></p> <p>a wonderful showing of Arrow Shirts at</p> <p>\$2.00 others at \$1.00 and \$1.50</p>			<p><b>Xmas Tree Lights</b></p> <p>39c to \$1.25</p>
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Men's All-Rubber 4-Buckle Arties. Special at \$2.49.—Grayling Mercantile Co.

The Ladies of the Danish Sisterhood spent a most enjoyable afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson, Tuesday.

The pupils of the Visual Method Piano class of Grayling school will give a recital in the school auditorium Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 16, at 4:00 o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited.

Ruth Papendick, age 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Papendick, of Beaver Creek, is a patient at Mercy hospital, suffering severe scalds received when she fell in a pan of boiling water at her home.

Please, if you have any broken toys let Mr. Clough know, or call the Avalanche, so they may be repaired in time for Christmas. These are to be turned over to some organization to help make Christmas glad for some boy or girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Baboitt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corwin, Miss Helene Babbitt and F. J. Mills were dinner guests, Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Babbitt's mother, Mrs. Frank Barber, at Tuscon; the occasion being Mrs. Barber's birthday anniversary. They report a most enjoyable day.

Harold A. Clemetson, at one time a Grayling resident, when he was connected with the State Highway department, met a tragic death Saturday forenoon when his automobile was struck by a train at a railroad crossing just out of Manistee. The family live at Cadillac and Mr. Clemetson who was a salesman for a wholesale hardware firm, was returning home after being there on business. Mrs. Clemetson and little son Junior who survive have the sympathy of many Grayling friends in their sorrow. Funeral services were held at Cadillac Tuesday and the remains taken to Bath, Mich., and later to Lansing for interment.

The life of a Christmas tree may be extended at least a week if the tree is set in water when brought into the house.

As the oldsters say, "It is pretty hard to keep a good man down." So, we were not surprised to learn that Frank Barnett answered to the roll call of the Crawford County Road Commission Tuesday of last week. Mr. Barnett has been seriously ill for the past several weeks but is feeling quite a little improved.

President Emil Giegling, Secretary A. J. Joseph and president-elect O. P. Schumann of Grayling Kiwanis club, attended the Kiwanis school of instruction held in Petoskey Tuesday night. Stanley Johnston, governor of the Michigan district, a son of Fred Johnston, a former resident of Roscommon and at one time county agricultural agent of Crawford county, who will be recalled by our older residents. Governor Johnston was born in Roscommon and at present is a resident of South Haven.

Mrs. Frank Barnett is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. M. A. Bates, who left in the fall, planning to embark for the Philippine Islands to visit her son, Capt. Emerson Bates, who is stationed there. Mrs. Bates writes from San Francisco, Calif., and states that she is detained there because of the strike of the seafarers, which has kept all ships in the harbor for the past month. When she reached there, Mrs. Bates states she was met by Capt. Forman, a classmate at West Point, of Capt. Bates. She was to embark on the following afternoon and the following morning the strike was on. Since that time she has been a guest at the Forman home and, although she is very anxious to reach the Philippines, she is having a most enjoyable time. Mrs. Bates gives a vivid description of the beautiful flowers which are there and of the lovely weather. She also says that if the strike does not lift soon, she plans to

try to make arrangements for passage on a Japanese boat. She is most anxious to get to the Islands in time for Christmas. Word from Mrs. Bates is always welcome and we hope to receive word from her often.

The new DeSoto on display at the Corwin Auto Sales show rooms is attracting no little attention.

Kenneth Hoesli left, Sunday, for Gladwin, where he was joined by Dan Woods, of that city, and the two left for Florida, making the trip by motorcycle. If everything goes well, the boys expect to travel on to California.

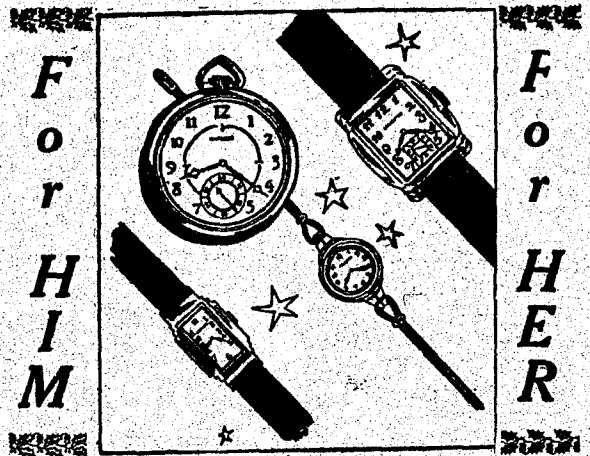
The ladies and gentlemen of St. Mary's parish enjoyed a get-together Tuesday at the parish hall; a 6 o'clock goose dinner, being the main attraction. Following the dinner, a card party was in progress and high scores were held by Mrs. Ted Morris and Mrs. Minnie Isenbauer, "500"; David Montour, Pinochle; and Mrs. William Lenartz, Pedro.



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## Among the Clerks

(By J. Wellington Burnsted)

Most of the young men of the community are gathering these frosty evenings, at the billiard room of Blackie's Tavern. I've been a-wondering what was the big attraction and it has just come to my attention that there is a fast and furious billiard tourney going on within those four walls. By the time the final results are ready for public notation, this column will be in cold print—so, watch for the winnab in next week's edition!

That reminds me—The Canadian Lumbermen's Association is seriously thinking of hiring our own Blackie to pose for a lumberjack picture, which will be filmed in Canada's own natural setting. All that is required of Blackie is that he wear his rough and ready hunting garb, perch his new scarlet stocking cap at the usual rakish angle on the LeVan "pate", and mount a log in the middle of the Yukon River. The Association feels that the red cap, alone, will knock the public in the aisles and will place Blackie in the historical limelight on a level with the great Paul Bunyan. We, of the restaurant world are here to see that Blackie gets his chance at stardom!

Things are beginning to look pretty serious in the Arthur Edyth case, what with them traveling back and forth for brief visits and six-letter-a-week mail service on the side. As Art says, "It's too bad that trains don't run on Sunday!"

Looks to me as though someone will have to acquire a mustache—in keeping with the dignity of his new position. I would suggest that he look up our old friend, Rupert Ross, maybe he could fix it up with him! Side burns would be cunning, too!

Who or what is Professor Scabbily, who seems to be a most favorite son of the Tavern Fraternity? Three guesses to anyone but Blackie's Ramblers.

I'm hiring a detective to keep to the heels of Amelia Smith.

who changes about so rapidly that it is almost impossible to keep track of her. She seems to be in the Green Front kitchen, now, and doing very well for herself.

Jim Bugby has a brother who is even smarter than himself! Said Brother George, accompanied Jim on a rabbit hunt, Sunday, and cleaned him to the tune of 5 to 1. Jim has had his chin in his hands ever since but said in his statement to the press, "Revenge is sweet and there is always another day!"

Eva Swanson is all set for Christmas—having had the foresight to chalk up the grocery list for an eleven and one-half pound turkey. She thinks that is too much dark meat for two people to consume—so she has postponed the date to a later day. Probably from as much as three days to three months later.

The May vacation fund has grown steadily and has probably by this time—reached at least to Nevada. Only a few more bills and we'll be right in Mexican territory—Helen hopes!

## BAY CITYANS LIKE GRAYLING

In the Rambling's column by Finny in the Sunday edition of the Bay City Times appeared the following:

The deer huntin' season is over and no one is more pleased of the fact than Mrs. Horace Shaw, wife of the big M. C. engineer, residing in Michigan's winter sports capital—Grayling. (Hope O. P. Schumann of the Grayling paper sees that big boost). This summer, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, who have resided in Bay City for a number of years, took up residence in Grayling. Don't bother, folks, to write Mrs. Shaw asking her how she likes life in the north. I'll give you her exact words: "It's just wonderful; I'm crazy about the north; the air! the scenery! marvelous! Just think, Horace and I have been able to make pets of deer and they come right up and eat out of our hands. We're Graylingites now and we love it."

All right, Horace and Mrs. Shaw, but in order to prove that you are truly Graylingites requires that both of you must slide down the toboggan at winter sports time. I'll be on, and report to the folks on the matter.

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## Religion In Life

## The Spanish Tragedy

The tragedy now being enacted in Spain becomes more and more gruesome in that land and increasingly dangerous to the peace of Europe.

The issue at stake is not fascism vs communism, as most newspaper reports would indicate. The struggle is democracy vs fascism. The issue is whether representative government, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly, freedom to vote are to survive or whether the forces of reactionism are to gain power.

Sir, stated the situation is this: The Spanish people finally came to a place where they decided to throw off the shackles which held down the common people. They wanted democracy; they wanted public education; they wanted fundamental rights for all the citizens rather than exorbitant privileges for the few. They voted into power a liberal government which would make possible a more free and democratic life for the people. The newly elected government inaugurated reforms which put Spain within a short time among the most progressive of all nations. This amazing progress and the betterment of the common people caused the old reactionaries—the royalists, the feudal land owners, the great industrialists, army officials and church dignitaries—to realize that the old days of special privileges were gone forever unless the new government were overthrown. These groups resorted to every means within their power to discredit the government in the eyes of the people. These fascists, aided by fascists from abroad, even went to the extent of hiring hoodlums to commit atrocities, in order to make it appear that the government could not maintain order.

These tactics did not deceive the populace and when the government was returned to power in a general election, the fascistic reactionaries show that but one means was left them to attain their objectives. That means was a civil war to overthrow the government.

The fascists launched the war. The war became a struggle between a duly elected government of the people and a coalition of privileged groups attempting to regain their own special privilege at the expense of the interests of the common people. The contest is to decide whether the new democracy is to survive in a land held down by centuries of oppression.

The newspapers refer to the government forces as the "Reds," but this is grossly inaccurate, for the communists are but a minor group in the country. When the war started there was not one communist in the cabinet and but one socialist. It was a government of liberals but not of radicals. When the war began, the communists had their choice of joining either the government or the fascists, and they chose the former.

It is interesting to note that democracy has been destroyed in both Italy and Germany and that fascists are in power. It is natural that these fascistic nations should now be lending their support to the rebels in Spain. It is true that the sympathy of Russia should be with the government, for if the government in Spain is destroyed, fascism will prevail in Spain. That would leave but two great democracies in Europe, opposed by three great military dictatorships in Europe—Italy, Germany, Spain—and these three united with the one mighty dictatorship in the Far East—Japan.

Every true lover of democracy is hoping that the government in Spain will be able to withstand the forces of fascism, in order that democracy might prevail in one more center of Europe.

## Michelson Memorial Church

A Community Church

Edgar Flory, Pastor.

Friday afternoon, Dec. 11th: Apron Sale, Candy Sale, and Tea at the church. The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary society will appreciate your patronage. All money raised by the society goes to the cause of missions.

Sunday, December 13th: 10 o'clock—Church School. 11 o'clock—Morning Worship. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. 5 o'clock: Presentation of cantata entitled "The Music of Christmas" by the Ladies' Glee Club of the Woman's Club. Monday, Dec. 14th, afternoon and evening, beginning at 1:00 o'clock: Four-County Council Rally.

Church Notes: The Christmas program of the Church School will be given on Wednesday evening, December 23rd. A beautiful program is being prepared. The W.H.M.S. met on Wednesday of this week at the home of Mrs. Louis Martin.

## Notice

I will be at the Grayling Hardware for the purpose of collecting taxes on Fridays and Saturdays, after Dec. 10th, from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. On all other days I will be at my home down river.

Nettie Stephan, Treas.  
12-3-2 Grayling Township.

## "BIG BUSINESS" WAS HUGE SUCCESS

The Junior play, "Big Business", presented Tuesday evening at the School auditorium, may well be set down in school history as one of the "smash" events of the year. There were eleven members in the cast and each one handled his part in a very commendable manner.

The heading, "A Farce in Three Acts," seems to adequately sum up the entire play, which is built around life in a business office.

Frances Entsminger, as Racy Osgood, the pretty heroine, makes things uncomfortable throughout the play for George Smith, who is the handsome leading man. Bradford J. Fitch, plays an admirable part as the woman-hating business executive whose company is fast going "on the rocks." Miss Osgood is a childhood chum and comes to the city, anticipating a happy reunion, only to find herself eavesdropper to a conversation which takes place between her brother Gilbert (John Henry Peterson) and Fitch, in which the latter states that he has no desire to renew Racy's acquaintance, of whom he has a very poor opinion.

Forming a campaign of vengeance, Racy further complicates the performance by placing herself as B. J.'s business partner under an assumed name and making things extremely uncomfortable for him and for herself. The play ends in a whirl of complications during which the young couple come to an understanding, simultaneously with the arrival of a wealthy aunt, who presents her nephew with \$50,000 as a wedding present.

Naomi Wheeler and John Henry Peterson, as Dolly Adams and Gilbert Osgood, portray to perfection the dumb office girl and the well-to-do lawyer, who are attracted to each other. Virginia Charron, as "Snow", the scrub woman, with Allen Carr, her prize-fighting husband, do an expert job of keeping the audience in a hilarious mood. Beatrice Peterson portrays the part of the secretary in great style. Leo Wirtanen, as the best whiskered old renting agent, Norberta Weiss, as Racy's fat cousin, Laura Johnson, as the wealthy aunt, and her lady physician, Gloria LaMotte, gave wonderful support.

Between-act entertainment was furnished by musical numbers by the High school orchestra, under the direction of Miss McDonald; with a vocal number entitled, "Carmen," by Harvey Loomis, beautifully rendered by Dorothy Miller, Natalie and Jerine Peterson, and Mildred Craft. These contributions were so entertaining that there was never a dull moment while the stagehands were changing the scenes.

The Avalanche joins the audience in extending congratulations to the cast for a very fine performance.

## South Side Locals

Byron Randolph is in Pontiac where he is searching for employment.

Little Joan Randolph, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Randolph, is ill at her home. Her sister, Phyllis, who has been very ill for some time, is slightly improved.

Raymond Wylie is in Bay City and is looking for employment. Ruth Benware, of Fletcher Mich., is visiting at the home of her brother, Elgin Benware. Mrs. Benware's mother, Mrs. Alice Kile, of Roscommon, visited here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Simpson enjoyed having as their guests, Sunday, Mrs. Elmer Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, Jr., and children, of Lake City.

Mrs. Aubrey Blaine has been ill and confined to her home for the past week.

Neil McDaniel has been unable to attend to his work at the flooring mill, having cut the first two fingers of his left hand while at work.

Mrs. Earl Stafford is caring for Mrs. Minnie Benson, who has been very ill for the past few months.

A. L. Roberts is driving a new Plymouth sedan, purchased from the Corwin Auto Sales.

Mrs. Jesse Bobenmoyer spent Sunday at Saginaw, where she visited her mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rummal, of Flint, returned home Tuesday after visiting for several days at the home of Fred Carr.

Mrs. George Bielski was guest of honor, Saturday evening, when a group of her friends gathered at her home to help her celebrate her birthday anniversary. Mrs. Joseph Bielski was hostess. Cards were enjoyed throughout the evening and a very nice lunch was served. Mrs. Bielski received many lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Sherwood, of Detroit, were week end guests at the home of George Bielski. Sophie, Mary, John and Peter Bogus of Detroit, returned home Monday after visiting for several days at the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George Bielski.

## DEER TRAPPED IN BOG

Frightened by hunters, four deer ran into a bog near Big Star lake southwest of Baldwin and were sinking into the ooze when conservation officers arrived. Two of the deer were rescued, but the third, a large doe died of exhaustion as soon as it was brought to higher ground. A fourth deer, deeply mired in the center of the bog, could not be reached and had to be shot by the officers.

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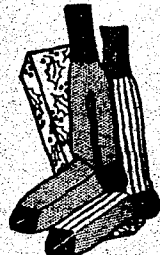


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## GAYLORD DEDICATES NEW GYM

Gaylord High school laid the cornerstone for a new athletic career, Friday evening, when the new gymnasium received its official dedication ceremony.

This fine new gymnasium is made to accommodate 2000 people and there must have been close to that number there to attend the initial basketball game and the well-planned entertainment which followed. It must have made the Gaylord boys feel especially good when they took their first game on the new floor covering 12 to 10 against Manicelo.

Built with a stone front, the interior of the gym is of brick with the seating space of comfortable wooden seats arranged in bleacher formation and carried low within a few feet of the gym floor, so that every spectator can see to good advantage. Polished bricks form a wall which takes care of the space from the floor to the lowest row of seats.

The floor itself is excellent and takes advantage of the latest arrangements, with the baskets carried clear of the balcony floor and at a most advantageous place for the players.

Following the basketball game the spectators were entertained by ten dancing specialties put on by children from the Gaylord school.

The evening's entertainment was completed by dancing, with music furnished by the Pokidots, and a substantial lunch for the nominal sum of ten cents a plate.

Shortly after midnight scores of balloons were released from the ceiling and the gym floor became a mad whirl of balloons and confetti and serpentine. Gaylord High school can well be proud of their new athletic building and Grayling joins every school in this district in extending congratulations to Gaylord for this fine new contribution to the athletic world.



Winter weather is win us. With it comes fog, ice, sleet, snow, and slippery roads. What are you doing to prepare for it? Every driver should see that his car is properly conditioned for winter driving. Windshield wipers should be reconaueced. The elimination of fog, sleet, ice, and snow from the windshield is very important, and many very good devices are on the market for this purpose. Equip your car with a device that will give you clear and good vision during such weather. Control your speed on slippery roads. Go slow—go easy—be careful. THINK.

## WANTED—OLD XMAS TOYS

A drive for old and broken toys will be carried on for the next two weeks under the W.P.A. Recreation Program with the aid of local agencies.

These toys will be repaired and painted by youths working on the National Youth program under competent leadership, and then turned over to the community for their use at Christmas time.

Why not look now for those discarded toys in the basement or attic that will bring happiness and cheer to some boy or girl this Christmas. If you have any toys for this purpose, kindly leave word at the Avalanche Office or with Arthur Clough, Ken Gothro or Russell Robertson and they will gladly call for them.

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## WOMAN'S DEMOCRATIC CLUB NOTES

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the club Monday evening in the school building. Activities will continue throughout the winter with meetings held on the first Tuesday evening in each month.

Capt. Connolly of Camp Higgins was the speaker of the evening and as is usual with his talks, it was very interesting. He told of the life of the enrollees of the CCC camps, and made an appeal for magazines, music, rugs, or anything that will make more comforts for the boys. Of course these would be things that folks would have no use for themselves. By telephoning the camp they would be called for. Another matter which Chaplain Connolly said they were striving for is a place in town where the boys could wait for trucks when they come in for the evening, so they would not have to wait out in the cold. He said they would be glad to furnish the fuel or do any work that needed to be done about a building.

Interspersed in the program was some clever tap dancing by little Donna Kinnee, some vocal selections by a girls quartet under direction of Miss Bath, and community singing with Mrs. Marius Hanson at the piano. In all it was a very interesting meeting.

Ability of Queen Bees: The queen bee is able to lay either fertilized or unfertilized eggs, according to the size of the cells in which they are to develop. Fertilized eggs are laid either in small worker cells or in large irregular queen cells, and developed into queens or workers. Unfertilized eggs are laid in drone cells, and those that develop become drones.

Flies Follow Light: Flies, newly hatched, emerging from the ground, take their direction according to light, not gravity.